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"Thou art the Helper of the Fatherless"—Psalm 10:14.

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We are glad to report that the contributions and pledges for equiping the Alexander Industrial Building now amount to a little over $1200, amount asked, and that the order for the boiler and engine has been placed. The orders for all the machinery will be placed as soon as judicious selections can be made. Let all pledges now be redeemed as promptly as the convenience of those pledging will permit.

All who have assisted in this matter have the most appreciative thanks of the Orphans' Home. The equipment will be one of the most important aids of the Home both in relieving our children of much heavy work, and in furnishing the opportunity of giving them much useful manual training.

It is always with great anxiety that we send our orphans from us in the summer. We do not fear that they do not know what is right. But have right principles been so instilled into their very fiber that they can stand for the right even if all those around go wrong? One wrong doer among our flock can do himself and the Orphans' Home untold harm. May the great Father, who "never slumbers nor sleeps" watch over our scattered orphan household and keep each one from wrong-doing.

The fathers and mothers in our church would remember the orphans more tenderly if they would sometimes consider seriously what they would wish for them if their own little ones should be left without father or mother. It is an appalling thought to a parent to feel that his children must be given over to the care of the world. As we would have others care for our own let us care for the orphans of others.

The printing of the last issue or two of Our Fatherless Ones has not been up to our standard, but four very small boys havedone the work and it has been done very well for their beginning. They are going to try to give you a nice readable paper, free from blots and typographical errors.

There was no one happier than the Printer boys when the engine and boiler for the Industrial Building where ordered.

It would seem that the issues of Our Fatherless Ones for June, July and August ought to be the best of the year as our boys have more time for the work. Such unfortunatly is not the case with the old heads concerned in the paper. Duties increase during these months, teachers all gone, matrons taking rest, new school work to plan, workers to be secured. Then the children's outing must be looked after Altogether managing the Orphans Home during the school term is not the perplexing problem that we find it during the rest from books, when all of our boys and girls are engaged in manual labor of one character or another.

A relay of children are taking vacation in July. They will be with us and run things at home while the other children of our orphan household rest in August.

PRESBYTERIAN ORPHANS' HOME.

BARIUM SPRINGS, N. C.

REV. R. W. BOYD, . . Superintendeht

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The first of June two of our matrons retired from the work, and their places are now temporarily filled by two of our old students, who are spending their vacation here. But these will return to their schools in September and we must select two new matrons before that date. One of these matrons will have twenty five or thirty little boys to mother and the other a like number of little girls. No more important work than this can be found here. No one comes so close to the every day life of her children as the home-mother, and for this work the very highest type of Christian womanhood is demanded. The successful mothering of one child is a grand work, which an angel might exult in. What then must be the reward of her who successfully mothers thirty children,by example and precepts, repressing every evil propensity and developing and strengthening every virtue and grace—preparing all for the highest possibilities of their natural endowments? The work demands in its importance and successful accomplishment a judicial temperament. a cultured mind, a sympathetic heart, and a gentle, kind, decided and firm hand, posessed by one who knows the way to the throne of grace by daily and more frequent approaches and can tenderly lead others there. Any friend acquainted with any such woman available for the work will confer a great favor by sending her address to the undersigned at Barium Springs, N. C.

P. W. Boyd,
Supt. Orphans' Home.

A Home for boys.

Recently a gentleman said to us, "I expect in the course of four or five years to put a memorial building at the Orphans' Home." This gives us great joy. We believe before that time God will provide, through some of his servants, a cottage for boys. It is sorely needed. First, because so many boys applying for places have to be refused admittance for lack of room, secondly, with another cottage the boys could be managed to far better advantage. The larger boys are now in one cottage, the smallest and next in size are together in the other cottage for boys. There should be three distinct families, the largest boys, the middle-sized, and lastly the small boys, as there are three families of girls. The middle-sized boy is a thorn-in-the-flesh to the small boy, and if perchance he is too overbearing to live with the little fellows and must be housed with the big boys he would fain enjoy all the privileges of his elder brothers. This is not for his best good, nor yet for the best good of the older boys to be kept in leading-strings and denied the privileges of their years for the younger boy's sake. Then this third cottage for boys would simplify the internal management of the Orphans' Home. Thirdly, the boys need the Orphans' Home and the Orphans' Home needs the boys. Here they can be fitted by

industry and education for useful citizens and they can return to the Orphans' Home by their labor, as they are older, a saving of expense and yet enjoy the advantage of one of the best graded schools in the state. If the cottage is put here before the afore-said friend is ready to build his memorial cottage that will not deter him for by that time the church will have so much grown in the grace of giving that she will be most happy to support an additional family of orphaned ones and we will undertake to promise that the Superintendent will find no trouble in filling both cottages with deserving and needy orphans of our church.

Orphanage Aid Association.

Perhaps all of our friends do not know how the Men's Orphans' Aid Association had its beginning nor how helpful it is proving. A little more than a year ago the first of these Societies was organized in the first church Salisbury. During the year three other like societies have been organized. One at Davidson one at Mallard Creek and one at North Wilkesboro.

The purpose of the societies is to aid the support fund by providing the support of one or more orphans.

Five dollars a month supports an orphan at the Orphans' Home. By this plan the men of the Presbyterian church can give systematic monthly aid to the Orphans' Home. The children give in the Sunday School monthly collections, the women in the societies that clothe most of our orphans. Perhaps it is a trifling discouraging that only three other societies have been organized during the year. Still we are very hopeful in regard to the plan for it is such a good one and was recommended by Concord Presbytery at the recent Spring meeting. The fee, twenty five cents per month, is small yet see what it means to the Orphans' Home. Twenty men in a congregation paying 25 cts monthly makes monthly $5.00, which supports one orphan one month. Four of these societies have been formed.

The Salisbury society supports two orphans. Five children are then supported in this way. If 145 such societies were organized within the Synod then a monthly support for every orphan now in the Orphans' Home would be assured. It is worth striving for.

Growth may be slow but we hope sure. That you may know just how easy it is to interest the men of your church in this plan for the support of the Orphans' Home we again copy the letter written us by the Treasurer of the Orphans' Aid Association of Salisbury which says:

"Inclosed you will find a check for $10.00. This amount will be sent you each month by the Orphans' Aid Association of the Presbyterian Church-Salisbury, N. C. This Association has recently been formed among the men of our church and each member of the association has agreed to pay 25 cts a month to the Support Fund of the Orphanage at Barium Springs.

In approaching men and asking them to join this association, we have been very much impressed with the fact that the great cause of orphan support and education is near the heart of every man, and that any movement for the assistance of our own orphanage at Barium Springs does, and will always meet with the heartly approval of every Presbyterian.

Every man approached joined our

Aid Association and more than one voluntarily placed his name on the roll.

The formation of like associations in other towns and churches would not only increase the Support Fund of the Orphanage very materially, but would be a most systematic way of collecting for that fund,

Very respt.,——
The Treas. Orphans' Aid Association.

When a North Carolina Presbyterian wants to keep well informed in regard to mission work he subscribes for the Missionary. If he cares to keep posted in general church work he takes the Presbyterian Standard, and if he wants to know what the Presbyterian Synod of North Carolina is doing for her orphans he should read Our Fatherless Ones. This paper is published primarily for the purpose of giving information in regard to the Orphans' Home and secondarily to teach our boys the art of printing.

The paper is not run to make money. If it were practicable we should like to GIVE it to every Presbyterian family in the State. Since that can not be done, let every subscriber do his best to send ten new subscriptions. Try, not half heartedly, but in good earnest. to see that this paper goes into every family within your congregation. It can easily be done and should be done. However it does no good to have the paper sent you if it is not read. Learn of your orphans, love them, work for them. There is no use to deceive ourselves, the paper has not the circulation it should have among our church people. Are you not willing to help remedy this?

Arduous Work.

Few persons realize the hard work that goes to make a picnic like the annual picnic given at Mooresville for the benefit of the Orphans' Home. For weeks beforehand committees are appointed and they plan and work hard until the day of the picnic, which means harder work for them on that day than even before. Greater profits are realized from the refreshments than from any thing else. The money is well earned and the $400 or $500 turned into the treasury comes at a time when money is much needed. We rejoice that these frieuds do not weary in well doing. The church owes them a debt at thanks for all they do to help support our Orphans Home.

There are some of our Presbyterians who are doing all within their power to help their orphans. They are bearing the brunt of the burden. Let those who have been indifferent or careless awake to their high privilege and willingly offer their service and of their means for the support and training of God's wards.

Wheat.

Several years ago some of the country congregations sent us very handsome donations of wheat, Each person gave what he could spare,one fourth, one third, one half or a bushel as he felt could be spared. This helped the Orphans' Home very much and we should like to see the custom reestablished. In a short time our wheat growing friends will know to what their wheat crop amounts. If they reap a bountiful harvest surely a share for the orphans of our church will not be denied them. If the yield be not what was expected remember the word of God says, "Cast thy bread on the waters and it shall return to you after many days" No man is ever poorer by helping the orphans.

An Offering Without Blemish.

Did you ever have any body ask you, How is it your Presbyterian orpha s are dressed so well"? Some times they do ask things like that.

Now these Presbyterians are the greatest people in the world to read their Bibles and then back themselves up against it. Some of the good women in our church have been reading the twenty second chapter of Leviticus which reads like this. "But whatsoever hath a blemish thou shalt not offer for it shall not be acceptable for you," so when it came time to get the summer outfit for the orphans they clothe, they sent the first fruits, just such clothes as they are accustomed to get for their own children, of course using judgment in selecting what is suitable and best.

In talking informally to some children about the Orphans' Home some time ago we noticed that they showed much surprise when told that everything our orphans have is given to them. They understood that the orphans were here, and that the Sunday schools to which they themselves belonged were asked to give to their support, but the fact that clothes, food and education must be furnished in this way, that there was no other way for our orphans to receive these things, surprised them very much. It is well to talk plainly to the children of our Sunday Schools, to tell them exactly what the Orphans' Home is, and what it tries to do. It may be even that there are grown up people who do not know that this Institution has not one cent of endowment, and that the daily wants of 150 orphans are supplied entirely by the voluntary contributions of friends of the cause.

You say, but you let your children have a vacation of a month in August, Yes, at a very great inconvenience to ourselves and it is only done for the child's best good. Every living creature requires some change of scene. We do not want to make machines of our children. They work so hard, especially our larger girls for eleven months that it is absolutely essential to health, vigor and energy during the eleven months that they rest the twelfth.

Few people have any idea how much work our larger girls do, nor how their intelligent labor cuts expenses at the Orphans' Home. There is no hired hand on the place, not even in the field to do the heavy work for the farm boys. The boys drive a disk harrow, plow with a two horse plow, clean ditches and even help to cut them.

It is hard to secure a negro man for field labor at $10 per month. That amount will support two large boys in the Orphans' Home, send them to school nine months in the year and the two together can, during the school term, do a man's work and during the summer when most needed more than do it.

It can then readily be seen that the Orphans' Home can not afford to part with the older children for financial reasons, to say nothing of throwing untrained children at so early an age on the mercies of the world.

The Grove.

Mr Lippard has kindly allowed the Howard Cottage girls to make a back yard in his grove just back of their house. It has been cleaned up nicely and the girls enjoy it every day.

They themselves made some ham-

mocks which are hung in shady places

Then the boys made them some very pretty red benches which by the way you can't tell from "sto'bought" ones.

Altogether it is a fine place, and Mr Lippard is a fine man for allowing us to use it!

Our children are looking forward to the picnic at Elmwood which will be the 21st. The church at that place gives a picnic annually and invites our little people. Those who are fortunate enough to go have "such a good time." The kind friends lavish every kindness upon them. It is well to have these bright days in the lives of our orphans. Those who go to all the trouble to give the picnic tell us that they enjoy it as much as do the children, that is saying a great deal. All the little folks hope they may be included in the number going to this picnic. These church workers say that having our orphans in their midst, though only for a day, stimulates interest in the Orphans' Home. Elmwood is some eight miles distant from us.

Boy Carpenters.

The boys ceiled the Alexander Industrial Building. It is done with lumber two inches thick that the attic may be used. The boys dressed the heavy lumber and raised it by block and tackle to the third story. They did all this without accident and in quite a workman like manner. Had we been obliged to hire carpenters they would each have cost $1.25 per day. Four boys did the work. This shows how our larger boys save money for the Orphans' Home.

In some cases we have yielded against our better judgement to admit children over twelve years of age. In some cases when the child was very anxious for an education and ambitious the results have been highly satisfactory. In other cases, and especially so when the child had been utterly neglected, habits and tastes had been so formed that best results could not be realized. Ordinarily these are the dissatisfied children. They come and find their surroundings improved yet long for the "flesh pots of Egypt." Unless one has "grit" he cannot stand to be classed with very small children who having been trained when he, poor child, has not, will easily out rank him. Hardly a greater injustice can be done a child than to allow him to grow up in ignorance. We do not know any class of persons who deserve more pity and whom we would more gladly aid.

Little Foxes.

Green fruit is such a temptation to the little fellows and it is strictly forbidden at the Orphans' Home. Why is it so alluring? The Superintendent has striven to have fruit in such abundance that this temptation may be removed but while the small fruit trees are growing small children must grow stronger by resisting these petty everyday temptations. How we older folks would like to make smoother paths for our children, remove all temptations, but alas! for our ability to do so. We must strive to make strong our children to resisttemptation if we would have them safe.

No one who is connected with orphanage work would undertake to deny the fact that there are many discouragements to be met. Some are of a general nature, affecting one's impression of the work as a whole, while others are specific, concerning perhaps

an individual child for whom bright hopes have been entertained. In the ups and downs there is much that is hard, but, as God lives, we believe that the influences of a pious home are not lost.

They may seem fruitless for years, and the life of one and another may be wrong to the end, but no child is not better for all his life for one year spent in a home of piety, such as these homes provided by our churches for orphans.

In Anticipation.

"Has your money come"? That's a question we hear over and over these days. Friends who are going to entertain our children during the vacation send money to pay the traveling expenses. Each child looks foward to the delivery of the mail with unusual interest. There is so much within the range of hope. He may not know of any one who will be likely to invite him but these invitations come some times when we are not looking for them. So if his money has not come it is supposed to be on the way.

Isn't that strikingly like experiences you have in your own life? Doesn't that question "Has your money come?" give you a kind of home-sick feeling —just a gentle little consciousness of having been looking for it for a long time? A counter feeling to the one that cyclones, volcanoes and earthqakes were meant for far off places and it would be imposible for North Carolina to have one.

As we look out upon the grounds of the Orphans' Home we see nine splendid, substantial buildings standing as monuments of man's humanity to man. Not only this but 150 children are being fed, clothed and by education and training fitted for life, all because men love their fellow men. In the establishment and carrying on of the work there has been no place for the self-interest of any one, there being nothing to be gained by selfish motives. In this generation of commercialism and self-seeking it is pleasing to contemplate an enterprise supported by those who can receive no earthly reward in the prosperity of the concern to which they contribute.

A step up in the home-circle.

To be able to spare a group of girls in July to do the work in August for the stay-at-homes and care-takers, we have had to advance some rather small girls to more responsible duties. However we have noticed that our girls nearly always respond when responsibility falls to their lot and develop far more rapidly than before hand. The Superintendent has no greater joy than to see his children growing into womanly girls, who long to be helpful in this work-a day world of ours and into manly boys who value their good name, whose honor is untarnished and who do with their might what their hands find to do.

It really looks as if a water famine were upon us. Of the five wells on our grounds from only three can water be gotten and only a few bucketsful from these before the water becomes very muddy. The water from our hydraulic ram could only be used for drinking purposes by boiling it and using ice in summer, while a deep well would furnish pure water in abundance and be a protection to the health of our household. We do not wish to be driven now to the necessity of raising money for that purpose.

Our Fatherless Ones.

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HOW TO SEND MONEY AND SUPPLIES.

All money should be sent to Mr. P. M. Brown, Treasurer, Charlotte, N. C., but if corresponding with the superintendent, Rev R. W. Boyd, Barium Springs, N. C., and wishing to inclose a remittance, the money order should be made payable at Barium Springs, as this is now an order office.

All supplies sent by freight or express will be stopped at Barium Springs if charges are prepaid. If charges are no prepaid, supplies should be sent to Troutman N. C. To get supplies forwarded without charge, application must be previously made to general manager of. freights through your local agent ☞Notice of all shipments should be promptly sent to the Superintendent.

HOME HAPPENINGS.

The wheat has been cut and hauled in.

Some of our boys raise and sell pigeons.

Wonder if there will be anv excursions to Barinm Springs this year.

Fruit is going to be very scarce at the Orphans' Home this year.

Our children have been remarkably well for this season of the year.

Your subscription to Our Fatherless Ones is most earnestly solicited.

We are rising very early this summer and take a longer rest at midday.

Some belated outfits are still anxiously looked for by a few of our little people.

James and Janette Cowan were delighted to have a visit from their mother recently.

The benches that the boys have been making for the lawn are quite a credit to the workshop.

There is some as nice looking corn in the Orphans' Home farm as we have seen anywhere.

With scraps of cloth and a few strands of thread some girls make dainty collars and neck wear

The little girls who have been promoted to the kitchen groups are learning to make nice light rolls.

Neat housekeeping is a great comfort but can only be had by eternal vigilance as our girls quite well know.

This year the flower gardens have not received their full snare of attention. There have been so many other things to do.

The little girls recently advanced to kitchen work are t ying to help not hinder their group. They are succeeding very well.

A friend of the home has given a quantity of hemstitching to one of our larger girls to do. Many of our girls do needle work very nicely.

The grove behind Howard Cottage is a favorite resting place for the larger girls. They have some home-made hammocks there in the shade.

Visitors to the Orphans' Home are never disappointed in the size of the institution. Invariably they express surprise that the Orphans' Home is the big thing they find it.

A well on the premises that ordinarily has thirteen feet of water now only measures four feet. This well contains more water than any of the others. All of the others have only a few inches.

Our household was too busy preparing for the August vacation to celebrate the Glorious Fourth We regret that this is the case year after year, for we would teach our children to be patriotic.

Little Miss seven-year-old Sue Ramsay Johnston of Gastonia sends four doilies, her first needle work, for one of our smallest girls. These table napkins are wonderfully neat for such a small girl.

The groups had to be rearranged after school was out, then again for the benefit of those who go away in July and come back to do the work in August while the rank and file of our household are away for a holiday.

A friend wishes a list of books wanted

at the Orphans' Home could be publish-ed. Says many people want to help but do not know just how to do it the best way. It is to be hoped that such a list can soon be gotten out.

Too often it is the case that many of our temporal blessings are received as a matter of course. Pure water in abundance is so essential to our comfort and health, yet how little thought of gratitude fills our hearts for an abundant water supply until we are deprived of it.

Friends often congratulate us on what has been done at the Orphans' Home. We who live in the work see so much that should be done and fall so far short of doing all that is in our hearts to do that we forget to be as grateful as we should for what has been accomplished.

The dentists of Statesville have offered to do work for the Orphans' Home at half price. This is good, for our little people suffer often very painfully with toothache, then they are unfitted for anything else. We thank these gentlemen most cordially for this kindness to our orphans.

The Howard cottage girls had a nice collection of vocal and instrumental music sent by a friend who would not even allow us to thank her. It is hard for an outsider to realize how much pleasure this music will give all of our orphans, not only to those who sing but to those who listen.

The management of the Orphans' Home feels deeply humiliated by the failure of any of its sons or daughters. One can but feel reproached that opportunities were allowed to pass for helping that child to form correct principles and ideas of life. Truly the case of an immortal soul is an overwhelming responsibility.

The big bell had a downfall the other day. This bell, Marv Augnsta, has called us to our duties for more than ten years. It is the gift of that faithful friend of the orphans, the lamented Rev. Chas. M. Payne, D. D. Fortnnately the bell was not injured beyond repair and Mr. Sharpe, our mechanic soon had it just as good as new.

Little Walter M. Hall received on his sixth birthday a gift of fifteen cents which he sent to the Orphans' Home. Is that not a beautiful lesson of self-denial. Such gifts make us feel deeply that the funds of the Orphans' Home are indeed trust money which should be expended with the greatest wisdom, and that all of the property of the institution should be most religiously cared for and protected. Our little friend has our sincerest thanks for his beautiful gift to his little friends, the orphans.

Some of our children have been invited to a union Sunday school picnic at Amity Hill. They will be delighted to go and do all in their power to add to the pleasure of the occasion by songs etc. as they have been especially invited to do.

Miss Rebecca Woods who has charge of the sewing room will rest during July and August. She is very efficient and merits the rest, still it is very hard to spare her for even a short time.

Miss Currie who is in charge of the Infirmary will take her rest during August. It is to be hoped that none of our household will be sick during her absence. A kinder more pains-taking nurse for the sick would be hard to find.

Among the useful and valuable gifts to the Orphans' Home we would mention a Disk Plow from the Thomas Hardware Company of Statesville. Farmers who cultivate clay soils understand the great value of disk plows. With them plowing can be done in dry weather when the ordinary turning plow can make no impression on the ground. As the preparation of the ground for grain crops must be made in the late summer and fall, the dry season of our climate, it finds the farmer entirely helpless if he has nothing better than a turn-plow in his possession, but the farmer mounted on his disk plow smiles, drives ahead every day, and leaves the ground nicely turned behind him.

Many thanks to the wide-awake gentlemanly, and generous Thomas Hardware Company.

One of our boys is spending his vacation helping an old student to do painting.

closed petals all day, every evening near sunset unfolded and sent out a peculiar fragrance. The miracle was more than I had anticipated. A feeling of silent awe possessed me as I saw bud after bud, as if under the touch of invisible hands, slowly fold back its leaves until the vine was filled with perfect blossoms, most beautilul and sweet.

And I said, 'If the finger of God laid upon these, His flowers, can do this in a way beyond the power of human study to explain, cannot the same divine touch, in ways we know not of, do as much for human hearts?'

Shall the flowers teach us a lesson of patient waiting and holy trust for the coming blessing? There are hearts for whom we have prayed seemingly closed as yet to every influence of the blessed Spirit; but let us be patient; we have sown the good seed; God's rain and sunshine through His own providences are nourshing the vine; the breath of prayer always surrounds it; surely by and by the divine touch will in a way we can least understand bring forth the perfected flowers of his grace."

We are daily impressed with the importance of the early establishing of habits of industry in children. The task is as difficult as it is important. As "The child is father to the man" we see in a lazy child, an idle, shiftless man whose life will be short of the grand nobility possible to be attained, neither gaining happiness himself nor making those around him, or dependent on him, happy or even comfortable. We long for our children to be strong, noble men and women. Their lives uplifting all with whom they come in contact, the world better for their lives. Yet work only, hard work, incessant work can accomplish this or any other good or desirable thing.

How many of the children of our minister's families in the Synod know and love the orphans at Barium Springs? You, dear children, can know the orphans by reading their paper, Our Fatherless Ones. It is sent regularly to your father. Just look over his newspapers and find and read it. You could help much by sending a list of subscribers from your father's congregation. Work and pray for the orphans, talk about the Orpnans' Home. Why, children, some Presbyterians don't know their church has an Orphans' Home.

Opportunities of Service.

There are many about us whose temptations are greater than they can bear and whose burdens are breaking their hearts. O friends, lend a hand! Put yourselves into a position where your influence will tell.

Come over on the Lord's side and follow him, of whom it is written, "He went about doing good." Bind up the wounds of the man who has fallen on the Bloody Way, put the cup of cold water to thirsty lips; speak the word in due season, which is like apples of gold in baskets of silver. Live so well that you shall be blessing others without knowing it.

O the world is full of sighs,
Full of sad and weeping eyes;
Help your fallen brother rise,
While the days are going by!

Christian Herald.

How a Student paid his Board.

It was the Freshman year in college. The class had translated all the Latin required in Cicero for the term and it was proposed to take up Horace for the two or three weeks remaining and

so commence the following term under better conditions. In order to do this a text book must be purchased, and the professor said the cost would be $1.12 net. So small a sum did not seem to cause embarrassment, but he would put the proposition to a vote. The motion was carried, and the class proceeded to the mentioned book-store and bought Horace. One of these students was greatly embarrassed. He had a ten-dollar bill, which he had most jealously guarded towards the twelve dollars soon due for board. He had been praying for the $2.00 additional; but the more he prayed, the farther off seemed the amount required. This vote tested most powerfully his faith. Before that recitation he was sure of ten dollars afterward but $8.88. What was to be done? Not to meet that bill would raise doubts in the minds of the caterer.

He could not decline to buy the book, because his act would be regarded as one of insubordination to college customs, and he would be termed 'odd."

The painful situation drove him to more fervent supplication for heavenly interposition. Were not the gold and silver the Lord's, with the cattle upon a thousand hills? Did not a fish pay the tax of the disciple at the word of his master? Was he of less importance than the temple tax? This was Monday. The following days of the week sped on and his faith seemed to have reached the last ounce of strain when Friday morning arrived. Still there was no answer in shape of a cloud the size of a man's hand, and the sky was as blue as his spirit was tempted to be. Third hour arrived.

He, with a class mate, had been sent to the black-board to draw some geometrical figure, preparatory to demonstration when suddenly there was a summons. He confronted a total stranger, the pastor of a neighboring city church, who had been unexpectedly called from his pulpit, and had heard of him through a friend. He had taken a long journey and made numerous inquiries, though he might have used the telephone, and visited a theological institution much nearer.

He wanted the student to occupy his pulpit the following Sunday, and paid him before he could render this service. He could scarcely contain his joy at the opening, and the unquestioned answer to his petition. At last his faith was rewarded. It was God's plan that this minister should pass by scores of as worthy students and select him for this service.

He paid his board the next Monday, and had some money for future exigencies. The recollection of that event brings tears of joy to his eyes and deep gratitude to his heart.

Forethought.

"In time of peace prepare for war." It is vacation now, the nine month's school term is over butwe must prepare for the next term. We have five school rooms all of which are furnished with desks except one, and that is the school room occupied by our most advanced children. It will take about $40 to supply these desks. Last term it was almost impossible to keep this school room tidy for lack of desks.

Then too there will be new books, pens, pencils, crayons, paper, etc to purchase.

All old textbooks were carefully packed away when school closed.

They will all be in place at the opening of the term. The tenth grade last term had only three members, this (the second year of tenth grade work) there

are seven pupils. Right there four new sets of tenth grade books must be gotten and, so on through all of our grades. Will some kind friend see that no time is lost because these new books are not in hand. You send the money and we will order the books, and our orphans will have an even start when school begins September the first.

Pastors, Sunday school superintendents, presidents of societies, Sunday school teachers and friends of the Orphans' Home wishing to aid us, might send for sample copies of OUR FATHERLESS ONES. We are always glad to send papers where they will be distributed. Even if you are not successful in soliciting subscribers, a knowledge of the existence of this noble charity will be widened. Where there is no knowledge of the work, no help can be expected. Those most familiar with the Home are the most interested, intelligent workers. We have known persons to give to this cause who have never been touched by, or contributed to any others. There is a tender place in every man's heart, and seldom does the helpless destitute orphan fail to appeal to his sympathy.

We do not judge our friends by their failures.

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It is love for men that lifts a man above men.

OUR STATE NORMAL AND INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE.

The catalogue of the North Carolina State Normal and Industrial College, shows an enrollment during the past year of 536 college student and 353 pupils in Practice and Observation School.

Students secure free tuition by agreeing to become teachers in the public or private schools of the state for at least two years after leaving college, and in no other way can free tuition be secured. All the free tuition students cannot secure board in the dormitories where board is furnished at actual cost, but places will be reserved in the dormitories for 175 free tuition students and 175 tuition paying students. Provision will be made for fifty free tuition students with board in private families and twenty-five tuition-paying students with board in private families.

There are so many applications for free tuition with board in the dormitories that it will be necessary occasionally to hold competitive examinations, and in order to secure a chance for one of these free tuition places with board in the dormitories an application should be in the hands of President McIver on or before July 15. Each county in the state is entitled to one or more of these places, according to the white population of the county. In the dormitories the annual expenses of a free tuition student for board, laundry and fees of registration, physician's attendance, library, use of textbooks, etc., is $115. Tuition-paying stndents pay $160. Non residents of the state pay $180. The annual expenses of students in private families is about $12 more than that of boarders in the college dormitories.

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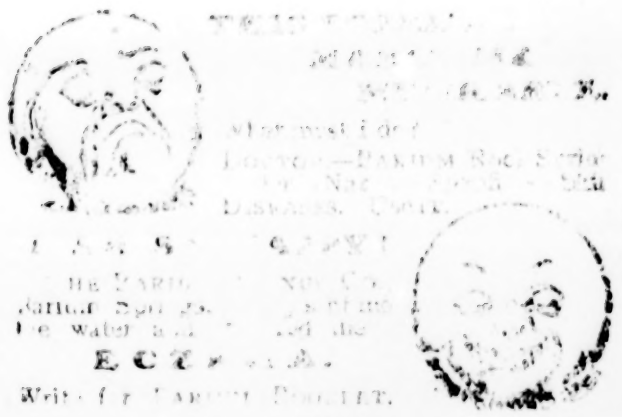

Rev. Wm. Anderson, D. D. Pastor First Presbyterian Church, Nashville, Tenn.—During my pastorate in Jackson Tenn., some years ago, after many remedies had failed on one of my little boys, your water completely cured him. I am fully convinced of its medicinal power. If my hand troubles me next summer, I think I shall come to the springs.

Rev. Wm. P. McCorkle, D. D., Pastor First Presbyterian Church, Savannah, Ga.—While a pastor in Graham, N. C., Mr Jesse Bradshaw, having a evere attack of tetter, which had interfered with his work for nearly or quite a year, had me to order for him ter gallons of Barium Rock Water. The water effected a complete cure, he having had no return of the malady cured.

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